

State of Misconsin 2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

2017 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 15

September 25, 2017 – Introduced by Representatives ZAMARRIPA, ANDERSON, ALLEN, BARCA, BERCEAU, BILLINGS, BOWEN, BROSTOFF, CONSIDINE, CROWLEY, DOYLE, FIELDS, GENRICH, GOYKE, HEBL, HESSELBEIN, HINTZ, KOLSTE, KULP, MACCO, MASON, MEYERS, MILROY, OHNSTAD, PETRYK, POPE, RIEMER, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SPREITZER, STUCK, SUBECK, C. TAYLOR, TUSLER, VRUWINK, WACHS, YOUNG and ZEPNICK. Referred to Committee on Rules.

| 1 | Relating to: recognizing and proclaiming Hispanic Heritage Month, a month-long |
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| 2 | celebration of the culture and traditions of United States residents who trace |
| 3 | their roots to Spain, Mexico, and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central |
| 4 | America, South America, and the Caribbean. |
| 5 | Whereas, the story of Hispanics and Latinos is the story of America, in that they |
| 6 | have contributed in various fields, from the arts, sciences, sports, and culture to the |
| 7 | economy, have encompassed the American dream, and have brought the energy and |
| 8 | drive of recent immigrants to this country; and |
| 9 | Whereas, Latinos serve in government at every level, from school boards to the |
| 10 | state house, from city councils and mayoral offices to Congress; and |
| 11 | Whereas, Latinos have served with honor and distinction in every conflict |
| 12 | involving the United States since the Revolutionary War and have made valuable |
| 13 | contributions through their service to this country; and |
| 14 | Whereas, the United States Census Bureau estimated that by July 2015 the |
| 15 | Hispanic population had surpassed 54 million people, constituting 17 percent of the |

| 1 | total population of the United States, making Hispanics the largest minority group; |
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| 2 | and |
| 3 | Whereas, the United States Census Bureau estimates that by 2060 Latino |
| 4 | people will comprise over 28 percent of the total U.S. population, with 119 million |
| 5 | residing in the United States; and |
| 6 | Whereas, only Mexico has a larger Hispanic population than the United States; |
| 7 | and |
| 8 | Whereas, more than 364,000 Latinos call Wisconsin home; now, therefore, be |
| 9 | it |
| 10 | Resolved by the assembly, That the members of the Wisconsin Assembly |
| 11 | honor the achievements of Hispanics and Latinos in America and honor the many |
| 12 | ways they continue to enrich our nation and shape our common future; and, be it |
| 13 | further |
| 14 | Resolved, That following in the footsteps of Congress, September 15 to |
| 15 | October 15 is proclaimed Hispanic Heritage Month in Wisconsin. |
| 16 | (END) |